

Former Worker Medical Screening Program

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Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant Former Workers

Population Being Served

The Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Piketon, Ohio, was established in 1954 to produce highly enriched uranium to fuel military reactors and weapons. The site also worked with its sister plant in Paducah, Kentucky, to produce low-enriched uranium to fuel commercial nuclear power plants. Portsmouth, which is leased and operated by the United States Enrichment Corporation, ceased uranium enrichment operations in 2001 and is currently involved in restoration and waste management activities. Medical screening is provided to former workers from this site in two separate groups based on the type of work they performed, production or construction.

Organizations Providing Services

Former Production Workers – This project is led by the United Steel Workers with Queens College of the City University of New York and Creative Pollution Solutions, Inc.

Former Construction Workers – This project is conducted by the Center to Protect Workers' Rights, an applied occupational health research and development center of the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO, in partnership with Duke University Medical Center, the University of Cincinnati Medical Center, and Zenith Administrators.

Current Status of the Program

Former Production Workers – This project began in 1996 and is ongoing. Former Construction Workers – This project was initiated in 2004 and is ongoing.

Contact Information

Former Production Workers from this DOE site who wish to receive screening are asked to call toll free at 1-888-241-1199. Further information on this project can be found at: http://www.worker-health.org/. Former Construction Workers from this DOE site who wish to receive screening are asked to call toll free at 1-800-866-9663. Further information on this project can be found at: http://www.btmed.org/. Further information on the DOE Former Worker Medical Screening Program can be found at: http://www.hss.energy.gov/healthsafety/fwsp/formerworkermed/.

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